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## HARD TIMES AHEAD

For the Standard Oil Octopus if Department of Justice Signs May Be Relied on.

Congress Expected to Adjourn by June 10—Inventors Complain of Dilatory Methods in Patent Office.

WASHINGTON D. C., May 28, 1906. It is a little early to forecast the chances of prosecution against the Standard Oil Company, but preparations in that line are being made through with great secrecy. It will be remembered that the report of Commissioner Garfield on the oil business dealt only with the railroad transportation. There are several more instalments of that report. They will deal with the pipe lines, with the foreign oil business of this country and with the business and competitive methods of the Standard in the United States. It is very safe to say that when all the facts are ready the Department of Justice will proceed against the company either for violation of the Elkins law or the Sherman anti-trust law or both. There was enough shown in the report already submitted to make out a case under the Elkins law, though some of the worst phases of the discrimination by which the railroad companies favored the standard was done strictly within the law and on an open rate basis. It is said that the arraignment of the company in the later section of the report will be even worse than the first, and that the prosecution which is almost sure to come will be one of the most sensational legal battles ever witnessed in this country.

Senators, Members of Congress, the Commissioner of Patents and many patent attorneys are hearing daily from inventors throughout the country in bitter complaint at the delay of their applications for patent. The Patent Office was probably never before so far behind with its work. In some of the divisions from five to eight months must elapse under present conditions before an application that has been filed can even be looked at by the Commissioner of Patents as represented by his corps of more than one hundred principal and assistant examiners. There is no good excuse for this condition, and the Commissioner of Patents is mainly to blame for it. Other Commissioners have kept the work well in hand by compelling the examiners to work extra time, and this compulsion, of course, has the effect to make them work in regular time. The reason that the work is so delayed now is because they do not work and have not been working in regular time. They read the papers, smoke and gossip while the inventor is consumed with anxiety waiting for his patent. Far from causing the Government a cent the United States Patent Office, the largest in the world pays its own way and is a source of revenue to the Government. The fees paid by inventors making application for patent pay all the expenses of the institution and bring a surplus to the Public Treasury which now amounts to several millions. No wonder there is clamor on the part of inventors against this infamous delay.

There has been a series of conferences between Secretary of State Root and the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations with a view to cleaning up a number of pending foreign questions, especially with Great Britain. There are the fishing disputes of New Foundland, the north-eastern boundary question, the friction on the Great Lakes and several other matters that are constant causes of friction though none promise to be very serious. The worst cause of offense was removed when the Alaskan Boundary dispute was terminated in London three years ago. But the decision of that case was so distasteful to Canada that it makes it almost certain that they will never again be any direct negotiations between the Canadian government and this government for the settlement of disputes. One of the redeeming features of the situation is that it probably means the demise of the very fashionable, high-priced and inefficient "Joint High Commission" which worked for several years without any effect except to draw large salaries from the respective governments. Now, however, it is likely that several of the questions at issue will be settled directly by diplomatic negotiations between this country and Great Britain. But Mr. Root wants the assurance that any treaties he may negotiate will be put through by the Senate and not killed as was the case all the reciprocity treaties and a number of other important measures that the President has lately sent to the upper house.

Adjournment by June 10 is now the prospect before Congress. At least that is the way Senator Aldrich sized up the situation after his visit to the White House in the middle of the week. It was the first time that he had been to the White House for about three months, and after nearly an hour's conference with the Presi-

dent he gave this as his opinion of the situation. He said that there was only one question in Congress that promises to produce much delay. That was the type of the Panama Canal. The Senate has announced its conviction that the sea level type will be the proper one. The President and the House are both committed to the lock level type, and it is possible that there may be a prolonged wrangle when the matter comes up for settlement. The other matters, Senator Aldrich thinks, can be disposed of in short order. There is not much likelihood of delay over the Pure Food Bill. It is thought that the measure will be passed this session, though there are strong interests against it and they will use all their influence to emasculate the measure so that it will be of no effect or else to prevent any action at all. It is thought that the Free Alcohol Bill will be passed at the present session, though some of those who are in a position to know say that there will be enough influence used to keep it from coming to a vote. The conference on the Statehood bill will either come to an agreement on the measure within ten days or else agree to let it die for the session. And as the Santo Domingo treaty is practically dead and the Speaker is willing to adjourn, there seems no reason why Congress should not get away by the middle of June.

## COMPLETE PROGRAMS

Of Approaching High School Commencement Exercises.

Baccalaureate Service, Presbyterian Church June 8, 7:30 p. m.

PROGRAM.  
Organ Voluntary..... Miss Jane Patton  
Hymn, Onward Christian Soldiers.....  
Prayer..... W. H. Howard  
Benediction.....  
Chorus.....  
Song.....  
Hymn.....  
Prayer.....  
Benediction.....  
Song.....

Opera House Thursday, June 7, 8 p. m.

PROGRAM.  
Piano Solo, Spinning Wheel, Smith.  
Class History..... Anna Holmes  
Piano Duet, Rhapsodie Hongroise, No. 2.  
Lied, Lena McCoppin, Blanche Hiestand.  
Case of Hillsboro High School vs. Leslie Hoyt, charged with taking, carrying away, and concealing a H. S. banner valued at \$10.  
Parties in the Trial:  
Judge..... Scott Wörley  
Sheriff..... Pearce McMullen  
Clerk..... Charles Vance  
Attorney for Prosecution, Galloway Hibben  
Attorney for Defense, Howard Jeans  
Prisoner..... Leslie Hoyt  
Court Stenographer..... Maude Haggerty  
Witnesses for the Prosecution, Nellie Coleman, Thomas Berry, Lyman Kilgour, Will Higgins.  
Witnesses for the Defense, Dan Robertson, Ferris Vance.  
Jury..... Leroy Vance, Richard Evans, Clyde West, Robert McMullen.  
Piano Trio, Lena McCoppin, Louanna Strain, Blanche Hiestand.

TENNISON'S DREAM OF FAIR WOMEN. (adapted Reader.)..... Robert McMullen  
Characters of the Dream:  
Helen of Troy..... Blanche Hiestand  
Iphigenia..... Helen Husey  
Geopatra..... Mary Hillen  
Jephthah's Daughter..... Grace Hopkins  
Rosalind..... Louanna Strain  
Queen Eleanor..... Nina Samms  
Sir Thomas Moore's Daughter..... Dora Butler  
Joan of Arc..... Lulu Anderson  
Blanche..... Ethel Rudolph  
Queen Elizabeth..... Mary West  
King Edward..... Richard Evans  
Class Song.

Commencement Exercises of the Hillsboro High School, Bell's Opera House June 8, 8:00 p. m.

PROGRAM.  
Music (a) March Welcome..... Orchestra  
(b) Serenade-Espagnole.....  
Invocation..... Rev. W. A. Deaton  
Music (a) Waltz-Les Golondrines.....  
(b) Intermezzo-Cavalleria Rusticana.....  
Class Address..... Dr. W. O. Thompson  
Music, Medley of Latest Songs..... Orchestra  
Presentation of Diplomas.....  
Music, Finale, Hungarian Dance, Orchestra  
Benediction..... Rev. W. B. Dunham.  
Admission will be 20 cents Thursday evening and 25 cents Friday evening. Tickets reserved at Stout's.

## Drowned in Brush Creek.

While fishing in Brush Creek, in Adams county, Saturday afternoon, Evans Owens, 25 years old, and James Insko were drowned. James Mulligan, one of the largest land holders in the county, was rescued by Conner Satterfield. They were standing in the creek when a heavy rise, due to recent rains, caught them and carried them down stream. Satterfield rescued Mulligan and afterward the dead bodies of Owens and Insko. Owens leaves a wife and child.

## Avoid the Rush.

Tax-payers may avoid a great deal of discomfort and inconvenience by paying their taxes now instead of waiting until the last few days and being caught in the rush. Treasurer Porter hopes they will realize this and act accordingly.

## Presbyterian Church.

Sunday 10:30 a. m. Whit-Sunday sermon by the pastor. At 7:30 p. m. the Rev. J. M. Helm will preach the Baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class of the Hillsboro High School.

Tickets for the Thursday evening Commencement program may be reserved at Stout's, Tuesday, June 5, and for the Friday evening program, Wednesday, June 6.

## GORMAN ADJUDGED GUILTY

Of Keeping A Place in Violation of the Beal Law.

Chas. Gorman was found guilty by Mayor Costello, Tuesday, of keeping a place contrary to the Beal local option law. The trial occupied all of Monday and Tuesday, a large part of the time being taken up by wrangling of attorneys over the admission of evidence and law points. The chief evidence of the prosecution was the whiskey, gin, brandy, etc., seized by the officers in their raid on Gorman's place on May 12. Officers Lyle and Moore testified, where it was found and described the location of the building, etc. The different times at which Gorman received shipments of liquor was shown by the books of the B. & O. agent.

Hubert Percens, a young man whose home is in Cincinnati, was a very unwilling witness for the prosecution. He was here a week at the time of the last Beal election and was in the employ of the local temperance people trying to secure evidence against the saloon keepers both as to illegal selling of liquor and bribery of voters. He tried to secure liquor from Gorman and failed, but on Saturday, April 21, bought a bottle of whiskey from a man named Dunlap, which was given him in McAdams & Gorman's restaurant.

Percens was to have appeared before the grand jury last Friday at 9 a. m. but Sheriff McMullen failed to find him and serve the summons until 11 o'clock; consequently he did not appear. On Saturday evening Judge Newby issued a writ for his arrest and was brought here Sunday by Sheriff McMullen. Attorney Robert A. Black of Cincinnati, followed on the next train with a writ of habeas corpus issued by Judge J. B. Swing, of the Hamilton County Common Pleas Court. After a conference with the local officials, Attorney Black did not attempt to serve his writ. Percens testified before the grand jury Monday and on Tuesday charges of contempt of court were heard before Judge Newby, who held that the summons was invalid owing to late service and discharged the prisoner. He was immediately given a summons to appear before the Mayor where he testified as stated above.

The defense put on four witnesses to show that the room in which the liquors were seized by the officers had not been used since February 22 until the day of the seizure. On that day a stock of drugs was moved in and a drug store is now in operation there. The seized liquors were made a part of the evidence and are still in custody of the officers. A motion for a new trial was made and will be argued Saturday, June 9.

## MATINEE CLUB

For Hillsboro in the Near Future One of the Probabilities.

The following invitation has been sent to a number of persons whom it was thought might be interested in a proposed Matinee Club:

"I love the boss from hoof to head, From head to hoof, and tail to mane, I love the boss, as I have said, From head to hoof and back again."

Get an interested friend and meet us at the Court Room Court House, at 7:30 p. m., June 1, to organize. Whether the Matinee Club is a "go" or not—present indications are most favorable—there will be a harness race meet at the Fair Ground July 4. Ex-County Treasurer E. A. Squier is managing the enterprise and has enlisted the services of Henry L. Wiggins as Secretary.

The track at the Fair Ground is in excellent condition, having just been resurfaced and repaired generally. It is also intended to have a colt show during the forenoon of the Fourth.

The query of the NEWS-HERALD of last week regarding the matter seems on the point of being answered affirmatively. It appears that we have not only the horses and the track but "the men and money, too."

## Yellowstone Park.

Have you seen one of those fine panoramic views of Yellowstone National Park? A relief map, in color, correct in every detail, showing the exact location of all points of importance in the Park. An available aid to the tourist and of value to every home, library, or school. Sent prepaid on receipt of 35c.

A. M. CLELAND, General Passenger Agent, St. Paul, Minnesota.

## How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.  
F. J. CENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. CENEY for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honest in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.

WALTER, KIRK & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.  
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood, and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

The Musical Courier announces that Dr. Carl Muck, conductor of the Royal Opera Company of Berlin, has been engaged as conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra to succeed Mr. Gerike. It may be well to add that he is not the inventor of the muck rake.

## TURNPIKE SITUATION

Of Highland County is Explained by State Highway Commissioner in Letter.

He Says Local Gravel Will Not Build Roads "Firm, Smooth and Convenient for Travel at all Seasons."

The following letter, which will be found self-explanatory and will undoubtedly interest the public of the county, particularly those who are working to secure new turnpikes: Messrs. Commissioners of Highland County, Ohio.

"Dear Sirs:—I have received from Auditor John Q. Roads a copy of the resolution passed by your body in reference to the Danville, Buford and Sardinia road. As to action thereon, will say that Section 5 of the law provides as follows:

"The highway commissioner shall cause plans and specifications of such highway or section thereof to be made for telford, macadam or gravel roadway, or other suitable construction, taking into consideration the climate and soil, extent and the nature of the traffic likely to be upon the highway, specifying in his judgment the kind of road a wise economy demands."

"These clearly places in the hands of the state highway commissioner the right to prepare such plans and have such materials as are in his judgment the proper ones to be used. Section 3 of the law says:

"The road, of whatever material constructed, shall with reasonable repairs thereto, at all seasons of the year, be firm, smooth and convenient for travel."

"The local gravel will not build such a road. I shall insist on my rights under the law in this matter and refuse to prepare specifications for a gravel road out of the local material. I enclose a copy of the specifications that I shall insist on being used on this road."

"Further, I desire to say, that as there is available only \$3,400 from the State for the two years, 1906 and 1907, putting a limit of \$15,000 on the amount to be expended, and as the Attorney General holds that no part of the road can be considered without considering it as a whole, it will be impossible to construct a road eleven and one-half miles long until after the legislature has made an appropriation that will cover one-fourth of the cost of the road. If, therefore the county commissioners of Highland should approve the road in question it would block the construction of any roads in Highland county until after the legislature meets. As there is no likelihood in the near future of the legislature passing appropriations for any two years that would be sufficient to take care of that road, the only feasible, safe and just plan is to call down the whole road, and if petitioners desire any part of the road to be built, file petitions for sections not exceeding one and one-half and two miles each.

Yours Very Truly,  
SAM HUSTON,  
State Highway Commissioner.

## Probate Court Proceedings.

Walter B. Dilts, admr. of Arthur N. Dilts, filed inventory and appraisal.  
Will of Sarah Hannah Clements filed and probated.  
A. M. Mackery appointed exr. of the will of Sarah Hannah Clements.  
J. L. Keener appointed admr. of Mary P. Keener.  
A. B. Boden, assignee of E. I. Gray, filed report of claims and petition for allowance in lieu of homestead.  
Will of James J. O'Donohue probated.  
Michael O. Donohue appointed exr. of the will of James J. O'Donohue.  
A. S. Boden, assignee of H. I. Gray, filed first and final account.  
W. E. Dibble appointed assignee of the Leesburg Manufacturing Light and water company.  
J. H. Crum, admr. of Joseph A. Wickerham, filed inventory and appraisal.  
J. H. Crum, admr. of Joseph A. Wickerham, authorized to sell personal property at private sale.  
H. S. Pulse, assignee of Smith & Pence, filed statement of claims.  
H. S. Pulse, assignee of Henry Swearingen, authorized to continue sale for sixty days.  
Jno. McMullen and George Free, admrs. of R. B. McMullen, given leave to file amended and substituted account within ten days.  
Will of Mary Hall filed and probated.  
Charles Welsheimer appointed exr. of the will of Mary Hall.  
W. B. Dunham appointed one of the board of county visitors to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Rev. R. D. Licklider.  
C. F. Underwood, admr. of Daniel W. Michael, filed report of appraisal. Same confirmed and private sale ordered.  
C. F. Underwood, admr. of Daniel W. Michael, filed report of private sale of real estate.  
Martha and Effie Johnson committed to County Infirmary.

## FOR SALE—Both Timothy and clover

hay, A. E. HILLIARD, Hillsboro, O.

## ASSORTED COLORS

Figure in an Elopement Across the Ross County Border.

The village of South Salem, just across the Ross county line, is stirred to its depths by an elopement. Allen Hicks, a negro about forty years of age eloped with Mrs. Zina Beechler a white woman, about thirty-five years old. Both are married and have families. The negro has been paying attention to Mrs. Beechler for some time.

On Wednesday of last week Hicks left for Greenfield taking with him a horse which he sold after he got there. The woman left the same afternoon and meeting some friends drove with them to Greenfield. They were seen together later in the day and then disappeared. Where they went to no one knows.

Mrs. Beechler is the daughter of Sam Cox of that neighborhood. In 1888 her present husband, who at that time was paying her attention, was shot by Mart Spooler, another admirer, and dangerously wounded. Spooler was convicted at the January term of court in this county and sentenced to serve fifteen months in the Ohio penitentiary.

## Cusick-Bunn.

At the residence of the bride's parents, on East Walnut street, at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning, in the presence of a few relatives and intimate friends, occurred the wedding of Carrie Bunn and R. B. Cusick, of Pittsburg, Pa. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Cotter, of St. Mary's Catholic church. The bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bunn and Mr. Cusick fills a highly responsible position in the Pittsburg offices of the B. & O. R. The bridal party left on the 2:30 train Tuesday afternoon for Columbus, where they are spending a few days with relatives, after which they will go to housekeeping at Pittsburg.

## Joseph Worthington Dead.

Joseph Worthington, a wealthy and respected farmer, died Monday at his home near Leesburg. He had been a liberal contributor to the various benevolences of the M. E. Church during the last few years. The Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, the Methodist Home for the Aged at Cincinnati, the U. S. Grant University at Chattanooga and the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home are among the beneficiaries.

A horse belonging to Dr. A. H. Beam, driven by Fred Zink, got away from 7 o'clock Tuesday evening and about West street to the College set a gait that many a registered trotter need not have been ashamed of. Much excitement; no damage—except to nerves.

## GOOD PROPOSITION

Says Expert Engineer of Trolley Extension.

In order to secure an opinion from R. C. Hunt, one of the engineers of the New York subway, the automobile party referred to in last week's NEWS-HERALD was made up to go over the route of a proposed electric line between Washington C. H. and Hillsboro.

Besides Mr. Hunt, in the party were Frank Johnson, Herbert Brownell, M. S. Daugherty, Thomas H. Craig, V. J. Dahl, O. E. Gwinn, W. D. Irvine, Henry Hildebrandt and S. S. Cockerill. The proposition is a good one, Mr. Hunt says, while the prospects of the line becoming a money-maker, and eventually a part of the trunk line between the Ohio river and the Lake, are very assuring.

The cars were driven from Washington C. H., via Staunton, Leesburg, Lexington, New Vienna to this place. From here the party went to Norwood by trolley.

There are two routes proposed—one practically covered by the cars in the tour of inspection, and another that passes through Allensburg, Lynchburg, New Vienna, Lexington, Leesburg, Buena Vista and Staunton—the former, however, appearing to Mr. Hunt as the more practical. The "hills," which heretofore have been an argument against the route, are not such insurmountable barriers, according to Mr. Hunt, as they at first suggested, and will add but little to the cost of the construction of the road. The party returned home enthusiastic in the purpose of pushing the "link," that will join Washington with Hillsboro.

## Marriage Licenses.

John Kuley, Bainbridge, and Ida Fowler, Greenfield, O.  
Wm. A. Hilderbrand, Portsmouth, and Nellie P. Moore, Hillsboro, O.  
Charles E. Stroup, Dodsonville, and Jessie M. Hart, Fairview, O.  
Bert McCoy, and Martha E. Rutter, both of Greenfield, O.  
Richard B. Cusick, Pittsburg, Pa., and Mary Caroline Bunn, Hillsboro, O.  
Wesley C. Irams, Logan, and Eva Follis, Greenfield, O.

## In Greenfield.

Arrangements have been fully completed between the merchants and the I. O. O. F. Band of this city, whereby open air concerts by the above band will be given every Thursday night throughout the summer, on the public square. A portable band stand is being built for this purpose.

The merchants of this city having highly appreciated the trade of city and surrounding country adopt this means to show their appreciation and desire that you feel this is given for your entertainment. We heartily enter into the spirit of this arrangement and commend the action of our business men, and would be glad to see the public take advantage of these concerts and attend on each Thursday night.—Republican.

Recent statistics show that pensioned veterans of the civil war are going away at the rate of 5,000 a month. Forty years ago this month the battle of the four years war was fought and the young man who at the age of 16 enlisted at the beginning of the war is now a grizzled veteran of 69, and many of the veterans have filled the biblical measure of their days. During 1905 the G. A. R. lost 9,162 members by death. The G. A. R. membership is now about 215,000 men, of whom Ohio has 18,000. The death rate indicates that within the next ten years the bronzed and bearded veterans of the civil war will have passed from the muster of life to join the grand review, the roll of which is called by the grim sergeant.

## DENATURED ALCOHOL

Arduently Championed By a Leading Temperance Paper.

While this movement is of supreme economic and industrial importance, its value as a temperance measure is of the first magnitude. For it has the following points of advantage to us as temperance workers:

1. It will relieve us of the burden of what we will do with the vast sums invested in distilleries if prohibition goes into effect.
2. It will relieve us of the burden of explaining what we will do for a market for the farmers' grain now consumed by the distillers.
3. It will relieve us of the charge that we are striking at any legitimate industry, as we would be if we denied the supply of alcohol for proper and useful purposes.
4. It would have an educational value in teaching the young to class alcohol with kerosene, benzine, etc.—articles to be burned in lamps and furnaces rather than in the stomachs of men and women.
5. Our support will win the friendship of thousands of manufacturers who are now fighting for this industrial ingredient without the slightest intent of injuring the temperance cause.
6. It would open a decent means of livelihood for distillers to enter without learning a new business or demolishing their property.
7. It would strip from the beverage traffic one of the chief shelters behind which it has hid in America for forty years—the industrial use of the alcohol. We have no moral or economic business to place the industrial use of alcohol on precisely the same basis as the beverage use in the saloons.

Let us get the saloon business out in the open where we can hit it without striking at a thousand useful industries, and a hundred thousand honest manufacturers who, themselves, hate the saloon.—American Issue.

## Your Summer Vacation

can be pleasantly spent at Waukesha, Waupaca, Elfeld, or at one of the other hundred resorts reached via Wisconsin Central Railway. Write for beautifully illustrated Summer Book, which tells you how, when and where to go, and how much it will cost. Free on application to JAS. C. POND, G. P. A., Wisconsin Central R'y, Milwaukee, Wis.

## Wanted Wool.

The Hillsboro Wool Co. are now in the market for this year's clip of wool. Our ware room is same place as heretofore, Brightman Bros., south High Street.

Boards of education in three Western cities most commendably have required that every pupil who enters the High school must be able to repeat the words of several patriotic songs, such as "My Country," "Tis of Thee," "Hail Columbia" and "Star-Spangled Banner." It is a shame that not one in ten of the average American audience is able to repeat or sing all the stanzas of "America." An exchange tells of a patriotic Sunday school superintendent who was surprised to find that the national hymn was not contained in the book used in his school. He requested the children to sing it from memory. They got through the stanza and then faltered. And the adults were unable to lend them much assistance.

Have you pains in the back, indigestion of any kind, rheumatism, fainting spells, indigestion or constipation, Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea makes you well, keeps you well, 35 cents.

GARRETT & AYERS

Georgetown will issue \$5,000 worth of bonds and build a combination city hall and opera house. Hillsboro has long had the Brown county metropolis beaten on the city hall and opera house proposition, but with regard to sidewalks Georgetown is about a million miles in advance.

## COL. BOONE AGAIN

Promoting Elaborate Plans for a New Railway Line Through Highland County.

Has Been Exceedingly Busy in Jackson and Gallia Counties, Where Sentiment Regarding Him Appears Divided.

Col. A. E. Boone, promotor of the memorable Black Diamond railroad, which never materialized, has been stirring up a hornet's nest over in Jackson and Gallia counties. The former Democrat denounces the colonel in emphatic terms; but other papers, including the Wellston Sentinel and Gallipolis Tribune are equally emphatic in defending him.

The matter is of some interest to people here because a line through this county is included in Col. Boone's plans as at present outline.

He is promoting a system of traction lines to be known as the Gallipolis, Huntington, Ironton, Portsmouth and Columbus Tractionway Co.

This system will be built in four divisions:—The Ohio River Division: Gallipolis to opposite Huntington, W. Va., to Ironton, to Portsmouth.

The Cincinnati Division: Gallipolis via Rio Grande, Oak Hill, Grahamsville, Pikeston and Latham to Hillsboro. (This line practically follows the located line of the old Hillsboro and Marietta R. R., upon grading which some \$600,000 was spent in 1853-4.)

The Columbus Division: Gallipolis via Vinton (Gallia Co.), Wilkesville, Vinton (Vinton Co.), McArthur, Laurelville, Adelphi, Stoutsville, Nebraska, St. Paul and Lockbourne to Columbus, with branch where Racecon Creek forks in Vinton County to Athens.

The Coal and Portland Cement Division: Portsmouth via Jackson, Berlin, Wellston and Hamden to McArthur.

To insure success, Col. Boone demands the following:

1. Sufficient amount of promoting money raised to prepare the line to be built, for the capitalists. This calls for the surveys, cost of building, with maps, profiles, etc., including the expense of financing the proposition.
2. A free right of way of sufficient width to build, maintain and operate a double track line of standard-gauge railroad.

In return for the above favors Col. Boone will pledge the franchise secured by a first lien upon same. With the understanding that every dollar paid in shall be repaid doubly (two dollars for one) with interest at rate of five per cent until paid.

If the road comes this way Hillsboro will give it the glad hand. But it is thought here that it will be some time before safety gates will have to be put up at its crossing.

## Hope Springs Eternal.

It was nearing the year 2007 and the good people of Hillsboro were talking of celebrating the city's bi-centennial. "We'll have a fine looking city to show to outsiders and former residents who come to help us celebrate," said the Cadi to the Chief Senechal. "By that time we'll have new concrete sidewalks nearly all over the ballfield."

Of a verity, when the old gal, Enterprise, gets a move on herself, she finally gets there—however much opposition she encounters at the hands of moss-backs.

## Wanted Wool.

In unlimited quantity. Ware room West Walnut St., next door to the Pence furniture store, Hillsboro, O.

C. E. BROWN & CO.

"No town will become a good business center so long as its business men rely on a few merchants to make the effort to bring trade to town. Too often the men in a few lines of trade are about the only ones that reach out after custom. Other merchants wait until these men induce the people to come to town, contenting themselves with trade that accidentally drifts to their places. A public spirited man should ask himself: If he is doing his part to attract people to come to town to trade in helping the entire business community. No town is a success unless all lines are working to extend the trade as far as possible and trying to bring a larger territory in the circle of which the town is the business center."

A case was to be tried on the charge of selling impure whiskey. The night before the case came off the defendant went around to the Judge's house.

To the man at the door he said: "Here's a bottle of whiskey I want your master to try."

"My master never tries anything but a case."—June Lippincott's.

Nell—I don't think he's a real count at all. He must be an imposter. Belle—Perhaps. He seems to have money.—Philadelphia Record.

"He has a large family." "Why, he hasn't anything but a wife."

"I know; but she weighs 300 pounds."—New Orleans Times Democrat.